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Shun Pao: (Nanking Telegram);

EXPLANATION OF THE REPRESENTATIVES CONFERENCE.

The Central Executive Committee, on April 9, sent the following circular telegram to the various Tangpus throughout the whole country:-

"In the telegram sent out by Tang Shao Yi and Hu Han Lin, there are many mis-statements regarding the convocation of the all-China Representatives Conference by the Standing Committee of the Central Executive Committee. We make the following explanation:-

"According to the General Principles of National Construction, the People's Conference can only be convoked when the greater part of the country has completed district autonomy. But, although district autonomy has been obstructed by Communism and the Japanese invasion, the opening of the People's Conference should not be disturbed. Our Standing Committee has exerted its utmost to introduce complete district autonomy within two years of the holding of the People's Conference which is fixed for April, 1935. It is better for us to convolve an extraordinary meeting of all-China Representatives on July 1 to decide the question of the convocation of the People's Conference."

Shun Pao and other local newspapers:-

THE INCREASE OF HAWKERS LICENSE FEE.

At the request of the 3,000 stall-keepers in the French Concession, the French Concession Stall Keepers Association sent a letter on April 5 to the French Municipal Council requesting it not to increase the licenses for hawkers.

Yesterday the French Municipal Council replied rejecting the request.

The Association yesterday sent another letter to the Council repeating its request.

A WAR INSURANCE CLAIM UNPAID.

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The National Goods Factories Federation (address: No. 173 Vung An Li (文安里), Canton Road) publishes the following notification in the advertisement columns of the "Chen Pao" and other local newspapers:-

The premises of the Chi Hwa Chen Kee Spinning & Weaving Factory (建華棉織廠) was completely demolished during the January 28 War. Both the Tuh Chong Insurance Company (德商德華保險公司), a foreign firm, with which the Factory was insured against war risk, and Zia Za Sung (德商德華保險公司) and formerly of the Pao Shing Insurance Company (德商德華保險公司) and

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now Manager of the Insurance Department of the Ningpo Commercial Bank, who acted as agent of the Tuh Chong Insurance Company at the time when the policy was taken out, refused to pay compensation. Either the Tuh Chong Insurance Company has evaded payment or Zia Za Sung has embezzled the money. The Factory holds an insurance policy in which it is stated that a telegram has been received from "H.G. Polan" of England confirming the insurance and that the policy can not be withdrawn. The Factory paid all the insurance premia. Unexpectedly after the demolition of the Factory during the hostilities, the Tuh Chong Insurance Company and Zia Za Sung falsely alleged that the insurance of the Factory had been withdrawn. Letters were sent by the Municipality of Greater Shanghai, the Social Bureau, the Chamber of Commerce, the Native Bankers Association and other bodies to the Tuh Chong Insurance Company and Zia Za Sung advising them to maintain their reputation, but without result.

Foreign merchants engaged in fire and war insurance business in China always tell the public that they are agents of big insurance companies with large capital, but when claims are sent in these merchants very often find fault with the insured in an attempt to evade payment. For instance, foreign insurance companies have, so far, refused to pay compensation to the owners of houses in Chapel on the ground that they were not issued against war risk. The Chi Hwa Chen Kee Spinning & Weaving Factory held a war insurance policy, nevertheless, the insurance company has equally failed to pay.

Henceforth, people who are about to take out insurance policies with foreign insurance companies should exercise a little care. This matter is seriously affecting public confidence in foreign insurance companies and we hope that the Foreign Insurance Merchants Association will find a fair settlement of the case in question.

Min Pao and other local newspapers:

CHINA PLANNING EIGHT LARGE INDUSTRIAL WORKS.

Chen Kung Po, Minister of Industry, arrived in Shanghai yesterday.

Interviewed by our reporter, Mr. Chen said that the Ministry is arranging to establish eight large industrial works, such as a Central Paper Manufacturing Factory, a Central Alcohol Factory, a Central Engine Works, a Central Steel & Iron Works, etc. The Minister added that the Central Government is paying special attention to Sino-Russian trade.